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In re Application of:

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Filing Date: September 25, 2001

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RECOGNITION (SIRV) USING
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PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.183(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicants have received a letter from the Office of the Petitions Branch dated May 14, 2002 in which Applicant's Request for reconsideration of the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) filed on February 20, 2002 in the above-identified patent was denied. In response, Applicant hereby petitions for the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.67 to be waived in order for the Declaration (filed

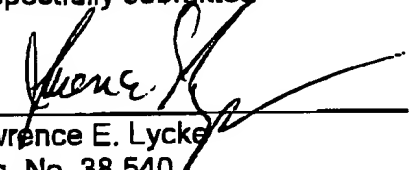
with the Response to Dismissal filed July 15, 2002) be accepted for filing without the signature of inventor Karl Allen.

As required in the dismissal dated May 14, 2002, a new Declaration with the citizenship of Rohan Coelho and Maher Hawash signed by Michael J. Payne is attached. However, co-inventor Karl Allen who signed the original Declaration has refused to sign the new Declaration. It is respectfully requested that the new inventors' Declaration be accepted for filing without the signature of inventor Karl Allen. Mr. Allen has not responded to our various correspondences. (See Declarations of Lawrence E. Lycke and Paige A. Johnson of the Response to Dismissal filed July 15, 2002).

Please charge the petition fee and any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted

Dated: July 29, 2002


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